

7-031 2002 Medical local authority
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TO WHO IN MAY CONCERN

Re: Dr Boris Muntyanu

A leading member of the international Romany movement, Dr Boris Muntyanu, from the Ukraine, has been granted permanent asylum in Britain and is now seeking a position within the medical profession in London.

But for an interim period he finds himself in a position where he needs to apply for housing through the local authority.

One of the reasons for this application is that his younger daughter Lili (born 1993) is in need of treatment at a paediatric health centre (nephrology and endocrinology treatment). Her condition has been attributed to the stress of a two year separation of the family. Dr Muntyanu can produce supporting documents in English.

His eldest daughter, Olga (born 1990), has finished at an excellent music school and has a letter of reference to the Royal Collage of Music.

The housing which he is seeking, therefore, would be appropriate to the size of the family, father and mother and two school-age daughters.

Our interest in supporting his application is that Dr Muntyanu has set up a medical care project, *Sastimos (Health)*, to help meet the health care of Romany Travellers in the London area.

Already, Dr Boris is involved in community work with Roma refugees, as a member of both the Romany Council and the Trans-European Roma Federation (which are affiliated to the International Romani Union, an NGO that has consultative status with the United Nations). His work is being aided by the Churches Commission for Racial Justice.

Sincerely,

Grattan Puxon